



COMPLETE LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (AMENDED) A decorative fencing system comprising:
 - at least one stake adapted to be driven into the ground, said stake including a hollow stake sleeve, said stake sleeve having a substantially flat upper surface;
 - at least one post, said post being adapted to be slidably inserted within and retained by said stake sleeve; and
 - at least one structural fencing component including at least one post attachment means disposed on an edge thereof, said post attachment means having a substantially flat lower surface to permit said post attachment means to sit upon said upper surface of said stake sleeve and be retained thereon by means of gravity, said post attachment means further being adapted to be slidably attached to and engaged by said post to thereby connect adjacent structural fencing components to each other.
2. (AMENDED) The decorative fencing system of claim 1, wherein said structural fencing component is selected from the group consisting of base units, gate units and end units.
3. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 2, wherein said base units include a vertical element on either side thereof, and wherein said post attachment means are disposed on said vertical elements.
4. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 3, wherein said post attachment means comprise a pair of post rings disposed at the top and bottom of both of said vertical elements.

5. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 2, wherein said gate units comprise a pair of complementary doors each having an outside edge, wherein said outside edges terminate in a vertical element and wherein said post attachment means are disposed on said vertical elements.

6. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 5, wherein said post attachment means comprise a pair of post hinges disposed at the top and bottom of said vertical elements, said post hinges including a post ring and a hinge element to allow said complementary doors to open and close.

7. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 2, wherein said end units include a vertical element on one side thereof and wherein said post attachment means are disposed on said vertical elements.

8. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 7, wherein said post attachment means comprise a pair of post rings disposed at the top and bottom of said vertical element.

9. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 8, wherein said end unit further includes a stake pin disposed on the side opposite said vertical element, said stake pin being adapted to being inserted into the ground so as to anchor said end unit in position.

10. (AMENDED) The decorative fencing system of claim 5, wherein said posts and said structural components further include decorative accents.

11. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 1, wherein said structural components and said posts are manufactured from tubular steel.

12. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 11, wherein said structural components are welded in assembly.

13. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 11, wherein said structural components and said posts are covered with a powder coated finish.

14. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 11, wherein said structural components, said posts and said stakes are removably attached to each other by frictional contact therebetween.

15. (ORIGINAL) The decorative fencing system of claim 11, wherein said stake is wedge-shaped, and said stake sleeve comprises a cylindrical cavity therein.

16. (AMENDED) A decorative fencing system comprising:
at least one wedge-shaped stake adapted to be driven into the ground, said stake including a stake sleeve comprising a cylindrical cavity within said stake, said stake sleeve having a substantially flat upper surface;

at least one cylindrical post, said post being adapted to be slidably inserted within and retained by said stake sleeve by means of frictional contact therebetween; and

at least one structural fencing component including at least one post attachment means disposed on an edge thereof, said post attachment means having a substantially flat lower surface to permit said post attachment means to sit upon said upper surface of said stake sleeve and be retained thereon by means of gravity, said post attachment means further being adapted to be slidably attached to and engaged by said post to thereby connect adjacent structural fencing components to each other, said structural fencing component being chosen from the group consisting of base units, gate units and end units, wherein:

said base units include a vertical element on either side thereof, and wherein said post attachment means comprises a pair of post rings disposed at the top and bottom of both of said vertical elements;

said gate units comprise a pair of complementary doors each having an outside edge, wherein said outside edges terminate in a vertical element and wherein said post attachment means comprise a pair of post hinges disposed at the top and bottom of said vertical elements, said post hinges including a post ring and a hinge element to allow said complementary doors to open and close; and

said end units include a vertical element on one side thereof, wherein said post attachment means comprise a pair of post rings disposed at the top and bottom of said vertical element, and further wherein said end unit further includes a stake pin disposed on the side opposite said vertical element, said stake pin being adapted to being inserted into the ground so as to anchor said end unit in position.

17. (AMENDED) A method for assembling a customizable decorative fencing, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a decorative fencing system comprising:

at least one stake adapted to be driven into the ground, said stake including a stake sleeve, said stake sleeve having a substantially flat upper surface;

at least one post, said post being adapted to be slidably inserted within and retained by said stake sleeve; and

at least one structural fencing component including at least one post attachment means disposed on an edge thereof, said post attachment means having a substantially flat lower surface to permit said post attachment means to sit upon said upper surface of said stake sleeve and be retained thereon by means of gravity, said post attachment means further being adapted to be slidably attached to and engaged by said post to thereby connect adjacent structural fencing components to each other;

driving said stake into the ground;

positioning said at least one structural component over said stake; and

inserting said post through said post attachment means on said structural component and into said stake sleeve so as to be frictionally engaged thereby.

18. (AMENDED) The method of claim 18, wherein said structural fencing components are chosen from the group consisting of base units, gate units and end units, further including the step of repeating the process of driving said stakes, positioning said structural components and inserting said rod so as to create the desired combination of base units, gate units and end units.